

INSERTER INSTRUMENT AND IMPLANT CLIP

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A method and apparatus assisting safe one-handed insertion of an implant. An
implant implantation device has a frame which includes a trigger mechanism, an outer
sleeve mechanically coupled to the frame, an inner shaft having a grabber for
mechanically engaging an implant, the inner shaft slidably disposed within the outer
sleeve, and a retaining element disposed over the inner shaft for directing the grabber
10 toward a closed position. An implant clip has a first member, a second member
pivotally coupled to the first member, a first implant holder pivotally coupled to the first
member, the coupling causing the implant clip to have a closed position and an open
position, and a second implant holder, the second implant holder pivotally coupled to
the second member, a surface of the first implant holder and a surface of the second
15 implant holder remaining substantially parallel to each other while the first member and
the second member pivot between the closed position and the open position.